CALIFORNIA PEAR ADVISORY BOARD

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MEETING NOTICE

December 2, 2010

California Farm Bureau Federation First Floor Conference Room 2300 River Plaza Drive Sacramento, CA 95833 (916) 561-5500

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I.	Call to Order	9:00 am
II.	Roll Call	9:00 am
III.	Introductions	9:05 am
IV.	Approval of June 24, 2010 Meeting Minutes	9:10 am
V.	Crop and Budget Report	9:15 am
VI.	Inspection Recap of 2010 Inspection Performance of New Firmness Testers Review of Regulation Changes/Modifications	9:40 am
VII.	Research and Field Director Report	10:00am

Action may be taken on any of the above items

VIII. Export Promotion Presentation 2010 Program and Funding 2011 Preliminary Goals and Objectives 10:15am

IX. Domestic Promotion Presentation

10:45 am

2010 Retail Merchandising, Public Relations and Promotion Program Program overview and highlights

Discussion on the possible elimination or reduction of the Fresh Domestic Promotion Program.

See attached background information document.

- X. Other Business
- XI. Closed session regarding the evaluation and performance of employees or discussion of pending or ongoing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 11126.

XII. Adjourn 12:30 pm

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Background

The California Pear Advisory Board has been asked to hold a meeting to discuss the reduction of the Fresh Domestic Promotion program to Public Relations and Category Management/Market Research. Under this scenario the CPAB would be reducing its budget by approximately \$900,000. This proposed change for the 2011 season would not impact the Fresh Export Program or any of the other activities performed by the CPAB, including and not limited to research, crisis and issues management, statistics, grade, and the ongoing maintenance and improvement of the CPAB website.

This proposal is not based on the performance of the fresh domestic promotion program in fact the program this year has been the most exciting and effective program since the board established its own program in 1992. This change has been proposed due to changing market dynamics, California pear shipper consolidation and a desire for more shipper involvement and control in retail marketing and promotion activities.

Please contact the CPAB for more information